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United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. Board of National Missions.

Department of Work in Alaska.

Records, 1874-1972.

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ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY

Presbyterian mission work in Alaska began informally in 1877. The Rev. A. L. Lindsley, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Portland, Oregon, supported Mrs. Amanda McFarland, a minister's widow, who went to Ft. Wrangell to take over the school that had been started by a layman sent by Lindsley and that was being taught by a native. Sheldon Jackson accompanied Mrs. McFarland, and when he returned to the States, through publicity and personal tours he raised money and recruited workers for missions in Alaska. At the urging of Dr. Lindsley and Jackson, the Board of Home Missions assumed the responsibility for the Alaska field in 1878. The Rev. John C. Brady, later governor of the Territory of Alaska, and Miss Fannie E. Kellogg, a teacher, both recruited by Jackson, went to Sitka in 1878. The mission school developed in the Sheldon Jackson School that still exists as the Sheldon Jackson Junior College.

In 1878 the Rev. S. Hall Young was sent by the Board of Home Missions to Ft. Wrangell where he established the first Protestant church for the natives in Alaska in 1879. He and the naturalist John Muir visited Chiclat Bay. He established a mission among the Chiclat Indians, later named Haines after Mrs. F. E. Haines, the first secretary of the Woman's Executive Committee. The first resident missionary family arrived in 1881, and a boarding school was established in 1883. Haines House, a home for children and youth, remained in service in different forms until the 1960s.

In 1880 Sheldon Jackson invited the secretaries of the mission boards of the Protestant denominations to a meeting that established a comity agreement for dividing the mission work in Alaska. The Presbyterians accepted responsibility for Southeastern Alaska where they had already initiated mission work and for the far northern regions. Despite the comity agreement inter-church relations were not always smooth, particularly after the arrival of smaller groups and denominations such as the Salvation Army and the Pentecostals.

In 1885, Sheldon Jackson was appointed General Agent for Education for the Department of Interior. He combined educational work with an annual inspection tour of the missions, and he lobbied Congress for native rights and for support of his project to bring reindeer to Alaska in 1892.

From 1878 to 1923 the work was supported by two boards, the Board of Home Missions and the Woman's Executive Committee, called after 1897, the Woman's Board of Home Missions. The Woman's Board supported some of the medical work. Haines House was administered by the Woman's Board.

In 1901 the Board of Home Missions appointed Dr. S. Hall Young as its first General Missionary to Alaska. He served until 1912, when Dr. James H. Condit was appointed and

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served until 1922. Young again accepted the position for 1922-1923. The Rev. Paul H. Prouty held the position from 1944 to 1950.

After the major reorganization of 1923 that consolidated the various boards, the Board of National Missions administered the work in Alaska. The work of the former Board of Home Missions was continued by the Department of Town and Country Work of the BNM, and later the Office/Department of Work in Alaska, and the work that had been established by the Woman's Board came under the direction of the Division of Schools and Hospitals. The new Department of Sunday School Missions conducted Sunday School work in Alaska. The executives were as follows:

Department of Town and Country Work, 1924-1932

Dr. Andrew Montgomery, Director.

Unit of Work in Alaska, 1932-1948

John M. Somerndike, Secretary, 1932-1939

Everett B. King, Secretary, 1939-1943

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary, 1944-1948

Department of Work in Alaska, 1949-1972

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary, 1949-

The educational and medical missions were administered as follows:

Division of Schools and Hospitals, 1924-1932

Edna R. Voss, Secretary

Unit of Schools and Hospitals, 1932-1934

Edna R. Voss, Secretary

Department of Educational and Medical Work, 1935-1948

Edna R. Voss, Secretary until 1947

Katharine E. Gladfelter, 1948

Division of Educational and Medical Work, 1949-1972

Katharine E. Gladfelter, 1949-

Southeastern Alaska was organized as the Presbytery of Alaska and the vast interior of the territory as the Presbytery of the Yukon. These presbyteries were part of the Synod of Washington and later of the Synod of Washington-Alaska and the Synod of Alaska-Northwest. With the major denominational reorganization of 1972, the presbyteries assumed responsibility for the work in Alaska.

The Board of Home Missions/Board of National Missions built and maintained a fleet of small motor boats that served as floating ambulances and clinics and transported workers and

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natives among the waterways of southeastern Alaska. A total of nine boats were put into operation from 1909 until the sale of the last boat in 1983.

The Board of National Missions provided missionaries specialized ministries as the occasion arose. In 1935, during the Great Depression the Federal Government settled families from the lower States in Matanuska Valley at Palmer; Presbyterian missionaries were sent. When the Alaska Highway was built the Alaska Highway Parish was established and when during the Cold War a radar system for early warning (the DEW Line) was constructed in the northern region the Presbyterians conducted ministry to the construction workers and servicemen.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists largely of field correspondence and reports from home missionaries in Alaska to the Office/Department of Work in Alaska of the Board of National Missions and for the work at Haines House, Haines, Alaska, to the Division of Educational and Medical Work. A major portion of the records deal with property matters including legal documents (leases and contracts) and surveys.

The correspondence of S. Hall Young, a pioneer missionary in Alaska and later general missionary, and James Condit, general missionary, is especially full for the period of about 1897-1922. There are also a few letters of Sheldon Jackson. The extensive correspondence of Dr. William R. Greist, who served 16 years at Barrow, includes a report of the airplane accident that killed Wiley Post and Will Rogers in 1936.

The relationship of the Presbyterian Church and the federal government is illustrated by correspondence with senators, the Bureau of Education, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

NOTES TO RESEARCHERS

Researchers should also consult Record Group 239, the Sheldon Jackson Papers, for other information relating to the work in Alaska.

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SERIES II: Field Reports, 1943-1961

SUBSERIES I: Monthly Reports, 1943-1944, 1958-1961

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SUBSERIES II: Annual Narrative Reports, 1957-1961

SUBSERIES III: Annual Statistical Reports, 1959-1960

SERIES III: Applications for Missionary Appointment, 1918-1948

SERIES IV: Applications for National Missions Aid, 1936-1960

SERIES V: Subject Files, 1906-1965, n.d.

SERIES VI: Presbyterian Mission Motor Vessels, 1922-1972, n.d.

SUBSERIES I: "The Princeton" and "The A.L. Lindsey,"
1922-1948

SUBSERIES II: "The Princeton-Hall," 1940-1960

SUBSERIES III: "The Anna Jackman," 1956-1972, n.d.

SERIES VII: Historical Sketches, 1886-1957, n.d.

SERIES VIII: Property Records, 1874-1960

SUBSERIES I: Property Correspondence, 1894-1960

SUBSERIES II: Blueprints, Surveys, Plot Plans, 1874-1950

SUBSERIES III: Sale and Leasing of Property, 1909-1957, n.d.

SERIES IX: Newsletters and Pamphlets, 1882-1972, n.d.

SUBSERIES I: Newsletters, 1892-1960

SUBSERIES II: Pamphlets, Leaflets, Clippings, 1882-1972,
n.d.

SERIES X: Haines Mission and Haines House, 1885-1967, n.d.

SUBSERIES I: Property Correspondence, 1904-1962, 1967

SUBSERIES II: Surveys (Maps), 1896-1948, n.d.

SUBSERIES III: Legal Records (Contracts and Leases), 1905-1955

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SUBSERIES V: Haines Hospital, 1913-1918

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- 2 Adams, W. B. (Sitka), Report re Sheldon Jackson School, ca. 1914
3 Ahmaogak, Roy (Wainwright, Barrow), Correspondence and Clippings,
1939-1943, 1951, 1957, 1961, 1965
4 Ahmaogak, Roy, Correspondence with J. Earl Jackman, 1944-1945
5 1946
6 Akootchook, Andrew (Barter Island), 1939-1951
7 Alfsen, Victor (Palmer), 1943-1946, 1958
8 Altman, Elenor (Anchorage), 1945-1946
9 Armstrong, R. Roland (Fairbanks), 1940-1941
10 Arthur, Thomas C. (Ketchikan), 1940
11 Bannan, Ann (Wales), 1930-1932
12 Bannan, Ann (Gambell), 1934-1936
13 1937-1940
14 1940-1944
15 Barrows, Willard E. (Juneau), 1940-1942
16 Bechtel, Gertrude (Fairbanks), 1944
17 1945
18 Beck, George (Ketchikan), 1934-1935
19 Betts, George R. (Kake and Angoon), 1935-1936, 1938-1940
20 Betts, George R. (Petersburg), 1940-1945
21 Betts, George R. (Hoonah), 1945-1946
22 Betts, George R. (Hoonah and Angoon), 1953, 1956-1959, 1961
23 Bily, Arthur (Sitka), 1941-1943
24 Bingle, Bert J. (Yukon Presbytery Sunday School Missionary; Palmer),
1934-1936, 1941
25 Bingle, Bert J. (Wartime Alaska Highway Chaplain), 1942
26 Bingle, Bert J. 1943
27 Bingle, Bert J. 1944-1945
28 Bingle, Bert J. (Yukon Presbytery Sunday School Missionary), 1946
29 Bingle, Bert J. (Yukon Presbytery Sunday School Missionary), 1953-1960;
"My 28 Years in the Yukon Presbytery", 1958
30 Booth, Willis (Juneau), 1941-1942
31 Booth, Willis (Juneau), 1942-1943
32 Bruce, George (Juneau), 1920-1922
33 Bromley, E.E. (Bayview), 1921-1923
34 Bromley, E.E. (Hoonah), 1938-1943

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| | 36 | Campbell, Edgar (Gambell), 1942-1948 |
| | 37 | Campbell, Louisa K. (Gambell), 1903-1909 |
| | 38 | Champlin, N. Harry (Wrangel and Fairbanks), 1940-1941 |
| | 39 | Champlin, N. Harry (Wrangel and Fairbanks), 1942-1946 |
| | 40 | Christiansen, Donald G. (Ketchikan), 1938-1941 |

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| 41 | Correspondence, 1913-1915 |
| 42 | 1916-1919 |
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| 46 | Correspondence, Controversy re Entrance of
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| | 4 | Crowell, Stephen C. (Skagway), 1936 |
| | 5 | Cubbage, Boyd G. (Anchorage), 1939-1943 |
| | 6 | Dakin, Florence (Barrow), 1920-1923 |
| | 7 | Diven, Robert J. (Nenana), 1919-1921 |
| | 8 | Diven, Robert J. (Wrangell), 1921-1923, 1930 |
| | 9 | Dodge, John K. (Skagway), 1946 |
| | 10 | Eide, Arthur (Barrow), 1920-1921 |
| | 11 | Falconer, F.R. (Ketchikan), 1921-1924 |
| | 12 | Fitzgerald, J. Roscoe (Kake), 1921-1922 |
| | 13 | Fredsell, Harold F. (Skagway), 1941, 1944-1946 |
| | 14 | Freeman, Edward Dewitt (Ketchikan), 1944-1946 |
| | 15 | French, Arthur (Savoonga), 1960 |
| | 16 | Findley, Edna (Sitka), 1912 |
| | 17 | Gall, Alwin E. ((Hydaburg), 1945-1946 |
| | 18 | Gould, J.A. (Chairman of Synod of Washington Home Mission Committee
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	27	Hall, James W. (Ketchikan), 1941-1942 1943-1944
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	29	Ipalook, Percy (Barrow and Wales), 1934-1935 (Wainwright), 1939-1946
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	31	Johnson, Samuel G. (Hoonah and Angoon), 1938-1945
	32	Judd, Ben (Wrangel), 1942-1943
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	41	McAdoo, William A. (Anchorage and Cordova), 1936 (Anchorage), 1938-1939, 1946
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	43	Marple, Wallace Sutton (Anchorage), 1920-1923
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	45	Martin, Anna (Savoonga and Gambell), 1941-1945
	46	Morgan, Emily (Barrow), 1928
	47	Moyer, Paul A. (Hydaburg), 1957-1960
	48	Newhall, A.W. (Barrow), 1927-1928
	49	Nickerson, Roscoe S. (Cordova), 1920-1923
	50	Parker, Elmer E. (Gambell), 1944-1946, 1955-1961
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12		Story, W.E. (Hydaburg), 1920-1922
13		Swanson, Mayreld, Mrs. (Yukon Presbytery, Director of Christian Education), 1956-1958
14		1959-1960
15		Swanson, Verne (Petersburg and Hydaburg), 1938-1943
16		Swogger, Alfred D. (Metlakatla), 1935-1940
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18		Tamaree, Tillie P. (Petersburg), 1930
18a		Vernon, J.F. (Fairbanks and Nenana), 1924
19		Waggoner, David (Juneau), 1935-1940
20		Webster, Jackson L. (Sitka), 1930, 1937-1938
21		1939-1940
22		Wheeler, Ralph K. (Haines), 1938
23		Whiteside, Paul E. (Klawock), 1939
24		1940, n.d.
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26		Winterberger, E.L. (Skagway), 1920-1921
27		Yaw, Leslie (Superintendent, Sheldon Jackson School), 1941-1942
28		1942-1943
29		Youel, John E. (Fairbanks), 1934-1936
30		1938-1939
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33	Young, S. Hall (Klondike Region), 1897-1898
34	1916-April 1917
35	May-August 1917
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37	Young, S. Hall, Correspondence with James L. McBride, Anchorage, 1917
38	Young, S. Hall, Correspondence with Archdeacon Stuck, 1917, 1920

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2 Barrow (Henry. W. Greist, M.D.), 1921-1922
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15 Juneau, 1894, 1897, n.d. (OVERSIZE BOX)
16 Kake, 1944, 1960
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- 4 20 Metlakatla, (William Duncan and Edward Marsden), 1909- 1920

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- 21 Metlakatla, 1920-1921 (OVERSIZE BOX)
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24 Metlakatla, 1941-1946
25 Palmer, 1939, 1942-1949
26 Palmer and Valley Presbyterian Hospital, 1955-1960
27 Savoonga (New Building), 1942-1958
28 Sheldon Jackson School, Students, 1940-1941
29 Sitka, Reports, Woman's Executive Committee; Sheldon Jackson; Sitka Training School, 1890-1909 (OVERSIZE BOX)
30 Sitka, 1920-1921
31 Sitka, 1940-1960
32 Sitka (All Alaska Conference), 1956-1957
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- 4 39 Angoon, Craig-Klawock, Hydaburg, Juneau-Douglas, Kake, Ketchikan, Metlakatla, Noonah, Petersburg, Wrangell, Sunday School Missions, 1944
40 Angoon, Craig, Haines, 1958
41 Juneau-Douglas, 1958
42 Hoonah, Hydaburg, Kake, Ketchikan, Klukwan, 1958
43 Metlakatla, Petersburg, 1958
44 Sitka and Mt. Edgecombe, Skagway, Sheldon Jackson Junior College, 1958
45 Wrangell, Yakutat, 1958
46 Auke Bay, Angoon, Craig-Klawock, Haines, 1959
47 Hoonah, Hydaburg, Juneau, Kake, Ketchikan, 1959
48 Juneau, 1959
49 Klukwan, Metlakatla, Petersburg, Sitka, 1959
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- 52 Hoonah, Hydaburg, Juneau, 1960
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- 54 Sitka-Mt. Edgecombe, Skagway, Wrangell, Yakutat, 1960
- 55 Angoon, Craig, Hoonah, Hydaburg, Juneau, Kake, Spenard, Metlakatla, Yakutat, 1961

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- 4 56 Barter Island, Cordova, Gambell-Savoonga, Palmer, Wales, 1943
- 57 Barter Island, Cordova, Palmer, Savoonga, Wales, Sunday School Missions, 1944
- 58 Barrow, 1958
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- 60 Gambell, Palmer, Savoonga, Spenard, Wainwright, 1958

- 5 1 Barrow, Fairbanks, Anchorage, College, 1959
- 2 Fairbanks (Big Delta Military Service Pastorate), 1959
- 3 Fairbanks (Hospitality House), 1959
- 4 Spenard, Utkeagvik, Wairwright, 1959
- 5 Fairbanks, Gambell-Savoonga, Spenard, Wainwright, 1960
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- 5 8 Yakutat, Wasilla, 1958-1959
- 9 "The Princeton-Hall," 1960
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- 5 11 Alaska Railroad, Wasilla, and Various Sunday Schools, 1958-1959
- 12 Alaska Railroad, 1959
- 13 Alaska Railroad and Various Sunday Schools, 1960
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- 19 "The Princeton-Hall", Savoonga, Spenard, Wasilla, 1957
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- 21 Alaska Highway Parish, Anchorage, Auke Bay, Craig,
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- 22 Hoonah, Klawock, Palmer, Petersburg, Railbelt Church,
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- 23 "The Anna Jackman" and "The Princeton-Hall" Motorships, 1958
- 24 Mayreld Swanson, Director of Christian Education, 1958
- 25 Alaska Highway Parish, Anchorage, Angoon, Auke Bay,
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- 26 Haines, Hoonah, Hydaburg, Kake, Ketchikan, Metlakatla,
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- 27 "The Anna Jackman" Motorship; Mayreld Swanson, Director of Christian
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- 28a Lists of Officers in Alaska Churches, 1960-1961

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- 5 29 Alaska Presbytery, 1959
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| | 45 | Alaska Highway (Bert Bingle, Chaplain), 1942, 1946, n.d. |
| | 46 | Alaska Methodist University, 1949-1959 |
| | 47 | Alaska Ministry, Qualifications, Conditions and Policy re, 1954, 1956, n.d. |
| | 48 | Alaska Native Brotherhood, 1939, 1941, 1956, 1958 |

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| 5 | 49 | Minutes, 1947-1956 |
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| | 51 | Home Missions Committee, Reports, 1914-1916 |
| | 52 | National Missions Committee, Reports, 1936 |
| | 53 | Alaska and Yukon Presbyteries: Membership, Property, Giving and Community Statistics, 1934-1947, n.d. |
| | 54 | Alaska Steamship Company Correspondence, 1921 |
| | 55 | Alaska Study Committee, BNM, Minutes, Reports, Job Description, 1960 |
| | 56 | Alaska Study Committee, BNM, Reports, 1953, 1960 |
| | 57 | Army and Civilian Chapel, Skagway, 1944 |
| | 58 | Church Cooperation (Methodist and Presbyterian) in Ketchikan, 1944 |
| 6 | 1 | Board of Home Missions: Reports; Power of Attorney for Alaska, 1906, 1914-1916 (OVERSIZE BOX) |
| | 2 | DEW Line Ministry Correspondence, 1956-1961 |
| | 3 | Eskimo Primer by Roy Ahmaogak, 1947-1948 |
| | 4 | Evangelistic Mission (4th) to Alaska: Reports of the Missionaries, 1958 |
| | 5 | Evangelistic Mission (4th) to Alaska: Statistical Reports from Churches, 1958 |
| | 6 | "Fulfilling Our Mission," by J. Earl Jackman: Article for <u>Concern</u> , 1957 |
| | 7 | Furlough Regulations for Alaska Missionaries, Revised, BNM, 1933 |

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| 9 | | Home Missions Council, Alaska Committee, 1930-1959 |
| 10 | | Hospitality House, Fairbanks, 1955-1957 |
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| 6 | 12 | President Taft: Executive Order Creating Hydaburg Indian Reservation, 1912 (OVERSIZE BOX) |
| 13 | | Indians: Alaska Native and Labor Unions (CIO), 1938 |
| 14 | | "Indians of Southeastern Alaska," by Viola E. Garfield; Statistics of Indian Churches in Alaska Presbytery, 1963 |
| 15 | | Native American Rights Legislation, 1943-1947 |
| 16 | | Office of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior/Board of National Missions Correspondence, 1938-1959 |
| 17 | | Interchurch Relations: Salvation Army; Seventh Day Adventists, 1938-1947, 1956 |
| 18 | | Interdenominational Conference on Work in Alaska, Comity Committee: Report, 1956 |
| 19 | | Klawock: Alaska Medical Mission (Robert R. Starr, M.D.), 1955-1956 |
| 20 | | Military and Defense Impact (World War II): Reports from Churches, 1942 |
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| 6 | 24 | Correspondence and Reports (F. W. Sawyer), 1930
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(Fairbanks)
1941

Wales, Alaska,
January 27, '41

Dr. Everett B. King,
156 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

per 75th attch

Dear Dr. King:

I arrived here at Wales on the 9th, after spending two days at Nome en route waiting for weather. Miss Stauffer got away by the same plane, leaving about an hour after I came in. You see that we had scarcely any time at all for formalities of any sort - only mentioned a few essential matters. The keys were in my hands almost from the first minute of my appearance. Miss Stauffer had done as I had suggested weeks ago, - had written copious NOTES for me to make use of by way of reference and understanding. Now, after nearly three weeks, I am finding myself, and everything seems to be working very smoothly. Having been here for three visits previously, it has not been a strange place and situation for me. We are really having a very good time. The people are interesting, quite responsive, and many are kind enough to tell me that they are very glad I have come to stay for a long time. So, here I am, - with the Lord's help we'll go ahead and do the best we can! Thank you for the orders sending me over here, - and for the travel-check providing for the delightful air trip. Came through comfortably. It is very wintery here as I expected, but the place is all right and there is plenty of fuel for heat and light here. Found it awfully hard to have Anna go off to the States while I had to turn about and plunge far into the North West. It is not a new thing for us to make adventures, - so we can brace up and take some things, believing we like it.

The last four days before coming here, I spent at the Nenana station. I had them going very well in both Sunday School and Church Service each week. They are few, but it is good to have them assuming some responsibility locally. Bishop Bently is conducting a community service for them all the Sundays he is at home there at Nenana. That's good. Their collections are paying all expenses so far. During the winter they are holding Sunday School and Church Services in the Public School Building, thereby saving a fuel bill. I shall furnish a statement of my expenses for this last visit to Nenana to go to your office with this letter.

From my point of view and according to my best judgment I want to recommend to the Board these ~~three~~ building jobs over this way covering three years:

1941- 1st-- Grant \$1,000 to put the NENANA Church in good repair for usefulness and sightliness. That badly-looking burned, charred end of the building is disgraceful to our cause. All materials can be obtained at Nenana and Fairbanks.

1942- 2nd-- Complete NEW CHURCH & LIVING QUARTERS for SAVOONGA.

1943- 3rd-- New MANSE for WALES. Our plan inclosed here.

Note: To be included in this year, the former point, already asked for Gambell.

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I am satisfied that this is the order in which these several projects should be approached and finally accomplished. All are much needed, of course, and you will find that the two lady-missionaries concerned will press the Board for the buildings this year on their fields respectively. If it is necessary to hold back and do only one in a year, then please do find a way for making the repairs on the building of the Grace Presbyterian Church of Nenana. Your files should produce some useful data on the state of that building, including some pictures which I submitted years ago. If provision for this job can be done this year, why not appoint me to spend a few days at Nenana organizing for it while I must be through that way before going to the States about the middle of next summer? I know very well what is needed and about the material and approximate cost of both material and labor. I have been a sort of "Step-Father" to that Church and small community for many years. It would please me to help them "put their house in order."

Thank you for the kind words you said about my personal notes-the "Log" of my visit and accomplishments on St. Lawrence Island last fall. Now, that leads me to ask another question: Will you direct me to go over there again this coming summer right from Wales? If I can again obtain passage on one of the Coast Guard Cutters from Wales or Nome, the expense cannot amount to more than a very few dollars. I should like to go back over there and follow up what we have started- baptize others, and advise about numerous things. Two weeks should fill the bill. I shall have great concern and interest in doing some of these things I am proposing next summer, but I shall also be wanting to get on my way to the States in good time. Shall be anticipating that treat and experience of real promotion service with and for the Board in the interests of ALASKA with a great deal of pleasure.

I shall have a good picture-story of my Eskimo Mission visits which I shall enjoy having you see with me sometime. My being here through the seasons and various changes of the weather and the activities and characteristics of the Eskimo people, should show well from a mission viewpoint and provide much educational appeal.

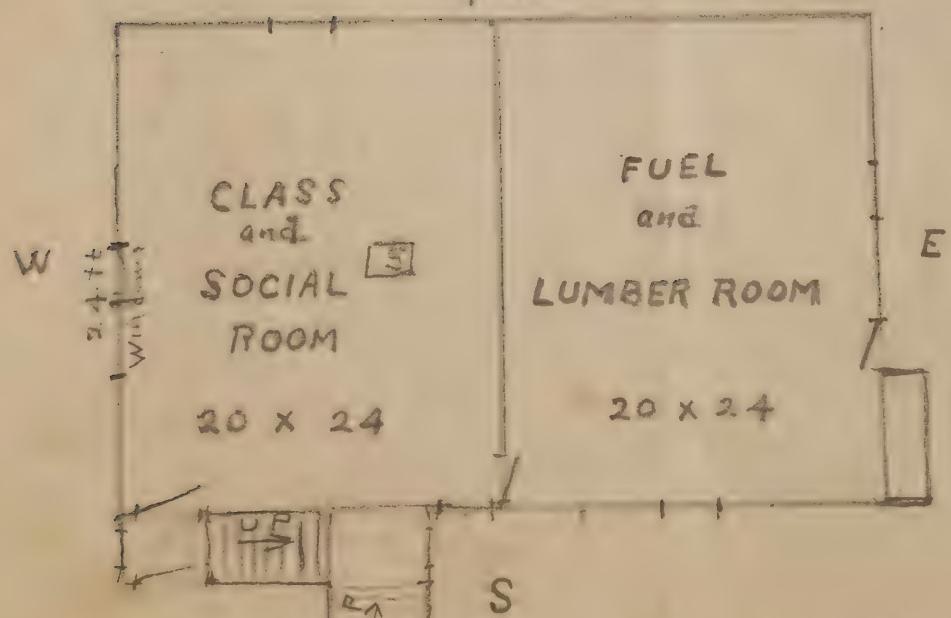
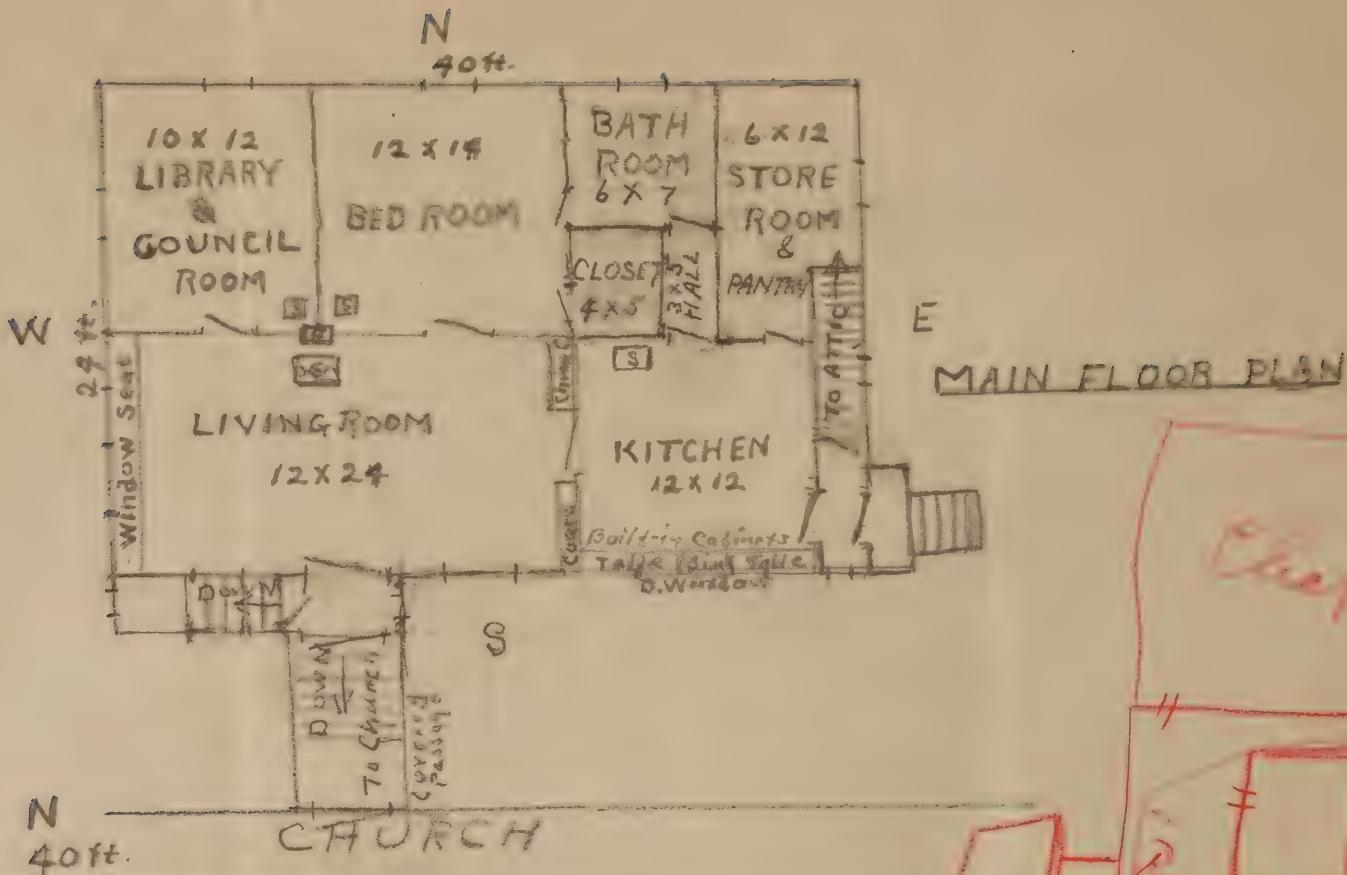
Mail can only reach me once a month. Have had no word from anyone, including members of my family, since Jan. 2. It will likely be another week before the mail plane drops in, and may be much longer,- the pilots all say that Wales is the worst place for weather on the whole Coast. Shall hope to hear from you all soon.

My monthly Report, and an incompletely completed one for Miss Stauffer, are inclosed with this letter. Needing your prayers so much, I am,

Yours faithfully,

John E. Yosel

P.S. -
Forgot to say that this Wales Church building is finished with the improvements, living, widows, & slopes, last summer. A friend of the governor did.



THE MANSE
AT
WALES - ALASKA

4-24-40
Wales, Alaska
T.S.V.

Note: Attic over all-floored-not partitioned-window in each end.

REPORT OF EXPENSE ACCOUNT

January, 1941, visit to NENANA:

Railroad and Taxi Fares- Fairbanks to Nenana & return--	\$ 4.50
Room in a Bunk-house- 3 days--	3.00
Meals at Nenana--	3.00
Total	\$10.50

January, 1941, trip to Wales:

Airplane fare- Fairbanks to Wales--	\$80.00
Hotel room at Nome- 2 days--	6.00
Meals en route--	2.80
	\$38.80

Received from Board of N.M. for travel expenses to
Wales for this Trip-- \$100.00

Balance on hand, if both trips and visits are considered- \$ 0.70

If trips are provided for from different funds, then
there is a balance on hand for Wales trip expenses of-- \$11.20

In that case there is due me for Nenana visit expenses-- \$10.50

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Youel
John E. Youel
S.S. & Supply Missy.

January 27, 1941
Wales, Alaska

February 25, 1941

A. E. M.

Rev. Mr. John E. Youel
Wales, Alaska

Dear Brother Youel:

I was glad to receive your letter of January 27th and to note that you were busily engaged in carrying on the activities at Wales. I am sure you entered that work with a heavy heart since Mrs. Youel traveled in the other direction, returning to the States. It is necessary for us to make sacrifices though and I am more and more convinced that the greater the sacrifice the greater understanding we have in the Gospel Story.

I also noted the building jobs that you recommend covering a period of three years. We will have time to talk these matter through and I shall look forward to that opportunity when you come to the States.

As I told you in one of my other letters, I think it will be well worthwhile for you to visit St. Lawrence Island after you complete your stay in Wales. You are so near and the expense would be so small and the opportunity so great that it would be too bad for you to pass it by.

I am sure you will have a great picture story of the Eskimo Mission and this story ought to present a real challenge to our people when you give it to them in the States.

May the Lord continue to bless and keep you,

Cordially yours,

EBK:B

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ALASKA MISSIONS
First Presbyterian Church

JOHN E. YOUEL, PASTOR

FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

December 28, 1940

Dr. Everett B. King,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. King:

I am very happy because I have your word that you were satisfied and pleased with my "log" of my visit and accomplishments at the Mission Stations on St. Lawrence Island this last fall. It was a blessed experience. Thank you for telling me your feeling about it.

Now, about your two questions:

First, I want to indorse Miss Ann Bannan's requests, as I had her tell me when I was with her at Gambell. At Gambell- send her there the good quality of ply-board for the inside walls of the mission rooms, auditorium and primary room, and enough battting material to strip all of the joints of the boards. Also, enough quarter-round material for the corners and the horizontal corners where walls and ceiling meet. And, also, sufficient white or light-colored paint for the exterior of the Church- the Mission Building. Should be enough to cover it well, especially since dark red paint is now on the building. The dimensions of the Gambell Church Building- exterior for which paint is asked to cover are approximately 2640 sq. ft. Enough good varnish, or shellac, will be needed for finishing the new interior wall board. -- Enough finished lumber suitable for making good seats for the auditorium at Gambell is very much needed. This would also call for nails or screws, and varnish, or shellac, for completing them nicely. If you can have these materials sent in for Gambell this coming summer- 1941, then I am proposing that, the complete Church and Manse- maybe all in one building- be sent to St. Lawrence Island to be erected in the summer of 1942. I'm quite sure that I told Miss Bannan and the Savoonga officers that I would recommend to the Board that their new Church would be provided and built within about two years from the time I was there. We tentatively selected a site for the Mission at Savoonga. We own nothing at all there now, as you know.

Second, here is my idea about the future leadership of our Church on St. Lawrence Island; have Miss Bannan continue as at present as the resident Missionary serving both stations the best she cans. She is happy, and doing wonderfully well. Then, in 1942 select carefully and send in an ordained Minister and wife to be stationed

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JOHN E. YOUEL, PASTOR

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at Savoonga and have them supervise the erection of the Church and Manse there. For the summer months plenty of good local men would no doubt do most of the labor in the construction program. I would not want to have Miss Bannan removed from Gambell, where she is very happy, until she is ready to come back to the States and retire, as she said to me, that she wanted to be there for four more years from the summer of 1940. After that I would have another capable and fitting ordained man and his wife provided for the Gambell Station. The U.S. Government provides just that way for the educational leadership; a man and wife at each Village. More than 500 Eskimo people are on that Island. They are ALL OUR PRESBYTERIAN PEOPLE. No other Church denomination is there, and need never be. We must hold the whole field and do a good job of it- God willing.

This additional thing I have in mind; let me go back over to the Island for a brief visit at once from Wales, after Miss Stauffer returns there, since it would be almost without expense if I can go over on a Government Boat, as I did this last fall, and I'm quite sure that I can get permission again. I know the way now. I could check over the entire operations for most of the first year after organization of the churches,- could administer the Sacraments again, etc. Such a visit, while over on the Coast anyway, would not require very much time nor expense additionally, and then I would come right back this way, attend to necessary things in Fairbanks, and at once move by your orders to the States and undertake whatever you may have planned for me.

Anna will be starting for the States next Thursday, Jan. 2nd. I shall go with her as far as Nenana, where I want to make another brief visit, checking on the operations of the S.S. and Church services. Shall return to Fairbanks and shall plan to fly away via Nome for Wales about Jan. 7th, and hope for good flying weather. Shall surely get word in the mail and off to you when I get through. It will be fine for Miss Emma Stauffer to be relieved and have the privilege of a much-needed rest and vacation. She has been most faithful and true!

Yours faithfully,

John E. Youel

January 21, 1941

Rev. Mr. John E. Youel
Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Mr. Youel:

I have your letter of December 28 in which you give your two answers.

Thank you for the information relative to Miss Ann Bannan's request. I have written her to send me her specified needs for the building improvements at Gambell. These specifications must be in my office by April 15 or it will not be possible to send them up this summer.

I also appreciate your opinion relative to future leadership for the churches on St. Lawrence Island. I think it will be wise for you to make that additional trip to the Island before returning to the States so that you will have fresh information to bring in to the office. Immediately following your visit to the Island, of course, you will come directly to the States.

Cordially yours,

EBK:DH

Wales, Alaska,
Feb. 27, 1941

Dr. Everett B. King,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. King:

My monthly report is inclosed with this letter. I am finding plenty to do, - and am beginning to add to my program of activities, finding that the people will try to take all that I am disposed to offer them, and that pleases me very well. I am liking the work so well, and also the people so much that I am already beginning to feel sorry that the time is passing and shall find myself too soon saying good-bye to them all here. They are really very good to me, and are attending all of the services, giving fine attention to all that is said and done.

Thank you, and all right, I shall be laying my plans for going over to St. Lawrence Island at once after I am done here at Wales, unless there comes some different word from your office. Good word continues to come from Miss Bannan regarding the Island Christians. Their standard of faithfulness is very unusual among any race of people, I verily believe. I shall want to see them all again at both of the villages. Have heard from some of them that they are expecting me next summer.

Re Percy Ipalook and his forthcoming ordination: I had word from both the President and Dean at Dubuque, stating that they were expecting Percy to complete his theological requirements for graduation this school year. That same word was filed with our Stated Clerk of Presbytery. Now, I have just heard that our Presbytery has met in Stated Meeting, and that it was decided by Presbytery to ordain Percy, if the way be clear, when he may come through by the Interior route to Fairbanks, next summer sometime, and that by a COMMISSION, to be composed of Rev. Mr. Armstrong, Rev. Mr. Cubbage, and Ruling Elder Mr. Tonseth. That is all well enough, considering that it would be inconvenient to meet as PRESBYTERY in the summer for such a purpose. But I am wondering why Percy Ipalook cannot be well and faithfully ordained appropriately in any one of two or three ways without involving such extravagantly heavy expense for the Board of National Missions to bear. Since he is to be examined in view of ordination by a Commission of our Presbytery anyway, then why not have him proceed directly to Wainwright, or, even better, to his own home where his people live and where he was born, etc., P. Barrow, and have the Rev. Fred G. Klerekoper act as the Commission?

I could, if needed, join Percy on the ship on which he will be sailing, either here at Wales, or at Nome, and go on right through with him to Barrow, and we would make a real event of his Ordination, in his old home Church, where also he has been an Elder, and was there Licensed by Dr. Greist acting as Presbytery's Commission for the purpose. -- Another very proper and entirely inexpensive method would be, as you know, for Percy to ask our Presbytery to dismiss him as a Licentiate to the Presbytery of Dubuque, and submit to his examination for Ordination right there on his Graduation Day, or about that time, and then gather his family and proceed straight through to his field of service in Alaska. -- If you would favor this latter plan, it would be necessary, or best at least, to get in a request to Cubbage, S.C., or Armstrong, Moderator, to call a Pro Re Nata Meeting of Presbytery to dismiss Percy Ipalook to Dubuque Presbytery, or else, if he would go to Wainwright or Pt. Barrow for examination and ordination, to name the Commission differently than as it now stands. Am thinking that we now have three members- Ministers- at or near Anchorage: Bingle, Cubbage, and McBride, who can get together most any day, before Bingle will be leaving for the States. I really do not see the use of taking Percy and his wife and four children all the way of the long, weary way through the Interior of Alaska, when there are other proper procedures for him to reach the long-desired end of Ordination to the Gospel Ministry in a great,-strictly Missionary Country.. -- Had I been in attendance upon the recent Stated Meeting of Presbytery I surely would have introduced my ideas and opinions. As it was, I did not know that the Meeting was to be held until later. However, whatever thing is done will suit me very well.

Please know that I am getting along all right, and that I am sure of your interest and constant prayers all of the time.

Yours faithfully,

John E. Young

March 25, 1941

AIRMAIL

Rev. Mr. John E. Youel
Wales, Alaska

Dear Mr. Youel:

I am very glad to get your letter of February 27th and happy to note that you are enjoying your supply work at Wales. Miss Stauffer was in the office for a day. She thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed her fine spirit and her interesting stories. I am sure that no one can appreciate the real value of our work there in Wales until he has been on the field and seen it with his own eyes.

I note what you have said about the ordination service for Percy Ipalook. I certainly think you have something on your side. I am going to see what can be done.

Cordially yours,

EBK:B

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ALASKA MISSIONS

Wales, Alaska
March 31, 1941

Dr. Everett B. King,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. King:

My monthly report is inclosed herewith.

I am not lacking for work to do. The housework and all of the chores that are necessary here, along with the appointments in connection with the Church and its various departments, keep me very busy from morning to night,-- many times through the evenings as well. It all suits me all right, and I am quite happy and contented for the limited time that I am assigned for service at this Station.

You would be surprised and amazed if you could be here and go through all of this stormy winter with me. The way the wind keeps blowing and drifting the snow is far beyond my expectations. Every day for many weeks I have had to dig out my door in order to get out at all. Someday I shall demonstrate all of this to you and many other friends by means of my motion pictures, of which I am taking a good series through the seasons.

I must tell you what a great improvement to the Church Building the lining of the interior with ceiling and celotex, and the extra window sashes inside, have made. Now, the heating of the place is so much easier and better. These coal stoves are better for this place also. A good job was done on the work here last summer. The interior painting has not been done,-- Miss Stauffer carefully advised me that she wants to attend to that part herself, so that there is nothing in that line for me to be concerned about while I am on the field.

I conceived the idea and the need of some work for the Youth of this Church to be doing for themselves,-- so I have led them into the complete organization of a Christian Endeavor Society, having a Pledge, Officers, Committees, etc., having a weekly meeting on Sunday afternoons, using topics, leaders, etc. They are all working beautifully, and say they are liking it. More later.

My health is keeping up first class,-- and all's well!

Yours faithfully,

John E. Young

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHURCH TO PRESBYTERY
and to
THE BOARD OF NATIONAL MISSIONS

Membership

Additions:

1. Profession	-	-	-	41
2. Certificate	-	-	-	0
3. Restored	-	-	-	0

Losses:

1. Dismissed	-	-	-	0
2. Suspended	-	-	-	24
3. Deceased	-	-	-	3

Net Total of Communicants - 114

Sunday School Members, Teachers, etc. - 180

Finances - - - - - 0

Benevolences - - - - - 0

Other Statistics

1. Elders	-	-	-	-	4
2. Deacons	-	-	-	-	0
3. Baptisms on Confession	-	-	-	6	
4. Infant Baptisms	-	-	-	13	
5. Candidates for the Ministry	-	-	-	0	
6. The Church has a Manse					
7. The Church is not a member of the Service Pension Plan.					

Thornton Memorial Presbyterian Church
Wales, Alaska

Dated March 31, 1941

Signed by order of the Session Dwight Ivank
Clerk

Miss Emma M. Stauffer, Missionary, Wales, Alaska

Rev. John E. Youel, ad interim Missionary, Wales, Alaska.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND THE YOUNG PEOPLES' SOCIETY
1940--1041

Sunday School Teachers and Officers	- - - - -	9
Pupils in the Sunday School	- - - - -	171
Total Enrollment	- - - - -	180
Enrollment by Departments:		
Adults	- - -	38
Young People	- -	37
Senior--Inter.	-	39
Junior	- - -	30
Primary--Beginner	-	36
Total	- - - - -	180-

Uniform Lessons are used in all Departments except
Primary--Beginner which uses Departmental Graded.

Average attendance for the Year	- - - - -	76
Cradle Roll Members	- - - - -	15
Week Day Bible Classes are held a good part of the year for Junior, Intermediate, and Senior age-groups with an enrollment of	- - - - -	45

A Christian Endeavor Society is completely organized and
holds a regular Meeting on Sunday afternoons. Only one
month covers its history so far. Officers and Committees
are functioning as is usual in the world-wide C.E.
The membership numbers to date - - - - - 56

Annual Report of the Thornton Memorial Presbyterian Church
Wales, Alaska
Departments of the Sunday School and Young Peoples' Society
the same as submitted to
The Presbytery of Yukon
from April 1, 1940 to March 31, 1941

Dated March 31, 1941.

Signed by order of the Session Dwight Terpuk Clerk
Wales, Alaska

Miss Emma M. Stauffer, Missionary, Wales, Alaska

Rev. John E. Youel, ad interim Missionary, Wales, Alaska.

QUARTERLY NEWS LETTER

From John E. Youel

Church Wales, Alaska

Date April 1, 1941

NOTE—This quarterly news letter is to be written in addition to all other reports. Use it for reporting the outstanding experience or experiences during the past three months in your church.

My dear Dr. King:

About three months have been spent at this most westerly point of land on the North American Continent- Cape Prince of Wales. It is a place of extreme desolation and an almost incessant wind blows which adds to the discomfort and difficulty of keeping warm with clothing and housing. A good class of Eskimo people live here, so that I have had a good time with them in all the contacts and the appointments of the mission station and Church.

Upon my call to the congregation for those who had not taken their stand for Christ to do so and come forward and unite with the Church by profession of their faith, twelve young people and adults responded. All of them gave a most acceptable statement of their personal Christian faith. Not more than that number in the village, above the age of twelve years, now remain outside of the Church Membership Roll, and most all of them are regular attendants of the services and Sunday School. We shall work to bring them all into our Christian fellowship while I am to be here at this station. Every child in the village has been presented by the parents for Christian Baptism. All of the people are most careful to do that. Nine babies and two adults were baptized during the Quarter.

The most outstanding experience of the past quarter was the organization of a Christian Endeavor Society for the young people. They have never had that type of work here, and they are all liking it very much, as is shown by the way they are trying their best to do what I lay out for them. Over fifty young people are members, and every one of them is an Active Member, having signed this Pledge I have written:

Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for Strength,
I Promise Him:

1. I will be a faithful Christian Believer.
2. I will Pray and Read the Bible every day.
3. I will Attend the Services of my Church.
4. I will be a Member of the Christian Endeavor Society and Take Some Part in the Meetings.

(over)

5. I will try to Win Others for Christ and Help
Them to become Christian Workers.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

We are all anticipating Easter and are busy practicing music and studying the Bible passages about Jesus "going up to Jerusalem" and approaching the terrible experience of His Passion; and, then, as we have the Scriptures, we look on through to the triumph of His Resurrection. -- I have never known a Congregation all through my many years of ministry to be half as deeply interested and concerned as are these Eskimo Christian believers and followers of the Lord. I am sure that this 1941 EASTER will be the most thrilling and unusual, probably the most blessed, of all Easters I have ever known in my life. I am so glad to be here with these folks for just this season and half-year!

I have come along just half of the way, according to our plan for this temporary assignment of duty as the Supply-Missionary at the Wales Station.

The residents of the Village have been here in their homes all of the time thus far through the winter, but I shall expect many of them to be absent and elsewhere about their hunting and gathering wood and food, etc., and some of the men will be obliged to go elsewhere for remunerative work. In some cases their families will accompany them. The number of folks about the Church and under the Missionary's leadership and direction will be much less during the next Quarter.

The Banner of Christ is carried high and faithfully at this Western Outpost. Pray for us that we may be strong in the Lord.

John E. Youel
John E. Youel
Missionary

April 28, 1941

AIRMAIL

Rev. Dr. John E. Youel
Wales, Alaska

Dear Doctor Youel:

I was very glad to receive your letter of March 31st and note that you were busy and happy in your field of service. Please tell me when you will complete your work in Wales and at what time you expect to visit the Island of St. Lawrence. I should also like to have the tentative date that you expect to arrive in Seattle.

I am glad to note that you have done some constructive work with the young people at Wales in the organization of the Christian Endeavor Society.

Cordially yours,

EBK:B

ALASKA

A L A S K A M I S S I O N S

Wales, Alaska
April 30, 1941

Dr. Everett B. King,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. King:

This letter is definitely about Miss Stauffer and the Wales Mission Work.

Some of the people here would like to have the Board move Miss Stauffer elsewhere and give them a different person to be their leader. I have heard about this attitude from a very few persons. They would like to have a Man Missionary, but I have told them that the Board's budget for Alaska Missions could not stand for paying the additional amount that the salary of a man, and maybe his family, would require; but that we could think about making that kind of change after some years have passed. The matter of dissatisfaction was brought to me a short time after I came here this winter by the President of the Village Council. I asked him What are your grievances? He said that one thing is: "One of the native men should be the Postmaster here at Wales instead of Miss Stauffer." Another thing was that Miss Stauffer had sometime brought in and sold some goods using the Wales Village Store prices. -- This is, of course, just the side of some of the men of the village, but it is constituting a real hindrance to the cause in the community.

Now I shall not go farther with remarks about the ideas or opinions of any of the people here. The four good men of the Session positively say to me that they will leave the matter of who their Missionary shall be with the Secretary of the Board, and they are just fine and right about it all, I am sure. But to go in the direction of bringing about agreement and an effort to satisfy and please the most of those who are concerned, I am earnestly asking you to take this matter up with Miss Stauffer before she comes back to Wales and request her to submit her resignation as the Postmaster at Wales at once. That one act may, and I believe will, go a long way toward re-establishing trust and confidence between the Missionary and prominent men of the Village, several of whom are Members of the organized Village Council.

I am satisfied that Miss Stauffer must go that far. It will mean probably \$25 to \$30 per month less income for her. I wonder if the Board could some way provide that much, or something more toward her salary as a compensation for the proposed loss of the income from the Postmaster's work. I am just fearing a lot that she will 'rear back' and start to make a fight around here and do the wrong thing. She knows some things have not been going as smoothly as they ought. This is all my opinion and I am sure that you will be doing the right thing by having Miss Stauffer as the Missionary under the Board to cut entirely away from this entanglement officially with a U. S. Government job. Even the School Teachers here are not allowed to be the Postmaster since, if one of them should be, he would be receiving pay for two Government positions.

Things in the work have been most pleasant here all along and I am enjoying the Eskimo Christians and their loyalty to the Church and their duty. I shall be expecting Miss Stauffer to return sometime near the 1st of July, according to the last word received a month ago.

Please know that I regard Miss Stauffer and her fine devotion to the work for the Eskimo people over here very highly, and that I am entirely and all of the time for her and back of her in every way. For her best interests and the continued growth of the Church in the Wales Village I am bringing this question and situation to your attention to do with according to your judgment and will.

My Reports, News Letter, etc., are mailed in a separate cover.

Yours faithfully,
John E. Youel

May 27, 1941

AIRMAIL

Rev. John E. Youel
Wales, Alaska

Dear Mr. Youel:

Thank you for your good letter making suggestions about Miss Stauffer. I talked with her at General Assembly and had quite a satisfactory conversation about the whole set-up. Thank you for the information.

Since the pension system is going through a change I suggest that you make up your mind definitely to go on retirement not later than December 1, 1941. If this is agreeable then I shall increase your salary beginning October 1st at the rate of \$1,800 annually. I shall do this in order that your pension and supplementary retirement from the Board will be increased. If you have been in service for national missions for thirty-five years, your pension plus the supplementary allowance from the Board will be one-half of your salary which will be \$900. If your term of service is less than it will be in proportion. In other words, if you have served for thirty years, your pension plus the supplementary allowance will be 50/55 of \$900.

In view of the uncertain conditions, I am quite sure that the wise thing for you will be to accept this plan. Please let me know immediately if this is agreeable in order that I can set up the plan for you.

The Board recently took over a home near New York. The home is to be offered to retired missionaries. If you desire, I shall be very glad to make application for you and your wife for this home. It will be an ideal place for you to live and you will be the sole occupants of the property. From this headquarters you would be called upon frequently to do promotional work in the interest of the Board of National Missions. It seems to me that this is too good an opportunity for you to pass by. Please let me have your decision as soon as possible.

Cordially yours,

EBK:B

ALASKA

A L A S K A M I S S I O N S

Wales, Alaska
June 5, 1941

Dr. Everett B. King,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Doctor King:

Your letter of April 23" was received on May 6", and there has been no mail leaving here since that date, and probably none will be taken until after the first passenger boat arrives at Nome from Seattle,- expected in about another week.

Thanks very much for your good word.

I am expecting Miss Stauffer to return to Wales about July 1st, and I shall plan to leave here within a day or two after her arrival, allowing time for important conference with her over matters of interest for the good of the Church and its Work. Upon going from here I shall hope for immediate transportation to St. Lawrence Island, but I may have to wait for connections at Nome, and then, following my visit over there, for transportation back to Nome. Shall then proceed to Fairbanks and look after our household goods, etc., there. Following that I shall hope to be on my way to Seattle and the States, according to your request. I am counting tentatively upon reaching Seattle near the middle of the month of August. Conditions over at this end on the Bering Sea Coast without any boat schedules whatever make it impossible for me to give you anything like definite dates for my movements and arrivals anywhere. After returning from the Island I shall be able to give you word of my proposed movements and the time required all the rest of the way.

Re our personal household goods, books, etc., which we still own and have stored at Fairbanks. Shall I ship them to the States? In your opinion, will we be now moving permanently Outside, or do you have in mind our return to some work or place in Alaska, after some time spent in the field in the States in a program of promotion in the interest of Alaska Missions?

I shall need money enough for the transporta-

tion and expenses en route from Fairbanks to New York, or other destination. Please have a check for an amount sufficient sent to me at Fairbanks. I shall have my mail held there for me after this date.

I am still getting along well with all of my Eskimo friends here at Wales. I'll really be very sorry to leave them when the time comes. Some of them are saying that they will be sorry when I leave them, and hope I will come back to them again. Feel very much at home with them all here. I shall expect them to be the better people because of the Board's part in providing for this long visit,- the fourth time in the last four years.

My report for April 15th to May 14th is along with this letter. We have had a fine winter and good time in all of the services of the Church. Have been delighted with the interest and attendance all the time. Now, all of the men are out in the Straits in their "skin-boats" hunting walrus most of the days. Consequently the attendance and activity around the Church are lessened appreciably. However I am keeping next to them all of the time. Have been invited to go out in two of the boats, - expect to do so when the weather warms up a little more. Want to get some good movies of the walrus, and other game, in the water and on the ice floes. Also, am anxious to see and note their ingenuity and skill in their hunting. I shall have much to show and tell in my Eskimo Story.

Thank you all for your support with advice, prayers and finance.

Faithfully yours,

John E. Youel
John E. Youel.

A L A S K A M I S S I O N S

Wales, Alaska,

June 16, 1941

Dr. Everett B. King,
Board of National Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. King:

Your letter dated May 27, 1941, is at hand, and I am hurrying to post an answer of it to you at once, and right to the point. It is going via Council Bluffs, Ia., through Mrs. Youel's hands so that she will know about your proposition, and then, if she is in accord with me in the entire matter, she will remail my letter to you. I copied your letter to me so that she would know as much about the proposition as I do.

See! 45 -
Retirement -

Your plan for me, and for us, as you stated and described it, is entirely agreeable, and our decision is an acceptance. Shall leave it with you to set it all up, make application for the home, and the whole thing. Please let me know about any details involved when you can conveniently. The furnishings of the house and matters for us to supply and look after in advance of our going east will concern us.

Thank you so much for your amazing interest and consideration in our behalf, and for your plan for much continued usefulness and service for Alaska, the Board, and the Kingdom of God.

As ever faithfully,

John E. Youel
John E. Youel.

June 24, 1941

AIRMAIL

Rev. Mr. John E. Youel
Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Brother Youel:

Enclosed is a check for \$500. to bring you from Fairbanks to Seattle. I suppose you will have enough additional to bring you on to the East. I shall expect you to give me an accounting of this money.

It is my recommendation that you ship your household goods and books and so forth to the States. In my opinion you would be moving outside permanently. In fact it would have to be this way in order to make the claim for the house that I mentioned to you that has been given to the Board.

I am glad to hear of your splendid work in Wales and it certainly speaks well of your time to have the people regretting to see you leave.

Conradally yours,

EBK:B
Enc.

June 28, 1941

AIRMAIL

Rev. Mr. John E. Youel
Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Mr. Youel:

In your letter of June 16th you gave me your decision to accept my proposition as outlined in my letter of May 27th. Therefore, I am proceeding to make the necessary arrangement. We are having the figures brought up to date as to your total income from the pension and supplementary allowance, your retirement to be dated as of December 1, 1941.

I am also making application for the house and am asking that you be given the place by November 1st. The house is, as I understand it, fully furnished and you will be expected, of course, to take care of the little things in and around the place. It seems that this is going to be an ideal set-up for you and Mrs. Youel and certainly you two do merit this recognition.

Cordially yours,

EBK:B

June 28th, 1941

Air Mail

Rev. Dr. John E. Youel
Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Doctor Youel:

I have been making some more investigations about your living quarters. The more information I receive, the more enthusiastic I become.

The place is located at *Prattsburg*, New York, 48 miles from Rochester, 50 miles from Auburn in the famous Finger Lakes' district. The house is the birthplace of Mrs. Whitman; it is truly a Presbyterian historical center. The house is located on one acre of ground, providing ample space for gardening and so forth. It is completely furnished--mainly with beautiful antique furniture. There is a coal range in the kitchen, dishes and kitchen equipment, rugs on the floor, and everything that you want except linen and silver. For heating purposes there is a new oil circulator.

The house has two large rooms downstairs and two small rooms with a large kitchen. Upstairs, there are two bedrooms, one small room for a study, and a bath with hot and cold water. The house is wired for electricity too.

So you see from this description that you will be moving into not only a historical spot but also a house that ought to be most comfortable for you and Mrs. Youel.

You will be entitled to live here as long as you desire, or until the death of either you or Mrs. Youel.

Cordially yours,

EBK:TL

ALASKA

QUARTERLY NEWS LETTER

From John E. Youel
 Church Wales-Hunter Memorial
 Date July 17, 1941

NOTE—This quarterly news letter is to be written in addition to all other reports. Use it for reporting the outstanding experience or experiences during the past three months in your church.

The whole time - the past six months - has been full of "outstanding experiences" for me in my connection and work with the Eskimos people of the Wales village.

I have been pleased with the way they have responded to my efforts in their behalf all along.

The one thing above all others, I believe, was the organization and meetings of the Young People - the Christian Endeavor Society. They continued to say that they liked it and wanted to keep it up and going permanently, which I encouraged and arranged for them to do. Shall hope to hear that they will keep the work going year after year. They surely will, if the missionary is willing to lead and guide them in the whole movement.

I left them with the Church fully organized with officers, all records in perfect order, every person in the village of whalers being a Baptized person in the Christian Faith, and promising me that they will be true and loyal to Christ their Saviour.

It was really a hardship for me to leave Wales, thinking that I shall probably never be able to visit them again, as I have done several times during the last four years.

We ended with the prayer in song and benediction
 "God will take care of you";

"God be with you till we meet again";
 and,

"The Lord watch between me and thee,
 when we are absent one from another."

A L A S K A M I S S I O N S

Nome, Alaska,
July 17, 1941

Dr. Everett B. King,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. King:

Thank you so much for your various letters, several of which came to me at one time as I reached here by airplane from Wales on the evening of July 8th. You gave me much longed-for information concerning the new home for us that you have offered and planning to have in readiness for our occupation on next November 1st. We shall be working in that direction and to that end in due time. I believe, however, that you must have stated the wrong name of the place, - Plattsburg - since I find that Plattsburg is on Lake Champlain, and not in the Finger Lakes' district and near to Rochester and Auburn.. I shall no doubt very soon receive word about this item of important information which will clear up my question, that all will be quite clear in my mind about the location of our future home. Harlan wrote me that he had communicated with you and expected to have a luncheon visit to talk over the various matters pertaining to our move and home. I hope that the visit was happily realized. Shall be looking for further word from him also.

To fully
see him
in Alaska

The check for \$300.00 came in one of those last letters, and I shall make the proper use of it for making the move to the States, and shall be prepared to give full account of the entire amount, as you requested, of course. Thank you so much for providing the expense money for all of my necessary movements in advance.

I am waiting here at Nome for transportation to St. L. Island. Expecting a Coast Guard Cutter here about July 26th or 27th and shall be counting upon making the trip over as soon as possible. It calls for much patience to wait around here so long with so little that I can do for the cause. Have good friends all about and am enjoying the associations. At this time I am still unable to state what time I shall be able to reach the States of New York.

Yours faithfully,

John E. Yocel

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Council Bluffs, Iowa,
Sept. 15, 1941

Miss Helen Wolf,
156 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Miss Wolf:

Dr. King suggested to me that I should inform you about the expected time of my arrival there at the Headquarters Office. I am now on my way - should reach "156" early next week - after Sept. 21st. Mrs. Young will be with me, and we shall plan to spend a week or two in the City.

Dr. King also said that you would likely ask Dr. Linnay to arrange for our having possession of the House at Pottslburg, New York, beginning about Oct. 1st, if that time will be convenient for all concerned.

I had a most enjoyable visit with Dr. King at Fairbanks during the week of Aug. 17th until I left there enroute to the States on Aug. 23rd, leaving him at that station, well and anti-gafing so much Alaska had to offer.

Expecting to see you soon, I am,

Yours cordially,

John E. Young.